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SUBJECT: SHIPMENT OF TWENTY EIGHT PACKAGES EFFECTS BY
AIRFREIGHT TEHRAN/NIAMEY PAA AIRWAY BILL NO. 026-37710665,
3/14/74

REF: TEHRAN 3456 (NOTAL), PARIS 09225 (NOTAL)

## BROWN FROM HECK

- 1. LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN UNHAPPY SAGA OF MISSING PIECES OF AMB. HECK'S AIRFREIGHT IS THAT VERY RED-FACED PANAM NEW YORK AFTER INSISTING FOR THREE WEEKS THAT SEVEN PIECES HAD BEEN SENT FROM JFK MARCH 31 TO LAGOS, DISCOVERED MAY 1 THAT QUOTE SOME TIME UNQUOTE THEY WERE SHIPPED FROM JFK TO ROBERTSFIELD WHICH HAS SENT THEM ON TO ABIDJAN WHERE THEY HAVE PRESUMABLY ARRIVED. PAA NEW YORK CLAIMS TO HAVE SENT ROCKET TO ITS PEOPLE IN ABIDJAN TO CLARIFY PRESENT WHERE-ABOUTS OF SEVEN PIECES AND TO EXPEDITE SHIPMENT TO NIAMEY BUT ON BASIS PAA'S PERFORMANCE TO DATE CONTINUOUS FOLLOW-UP SEEMS NECESSARY.
- 2. THERE STILL REMAINS QUESTION OF WHEREABOUTS OF EIGHTH MISSING PIECE.
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3. FOR TEHRAN: PLEASE CONVEY FOREGOING TO GURNEY AND TELL HIM WE ARE PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT PAA TEHRAN REMAINS ACTION OFFICE TO INSURE DELIVERY OF THE AIRFREIGHT TO ITS

DESTINATION AND IT SHOULD NOT RELAX UNTIL IT HEARS FROM NIAMEY THAT ENTIRE SHIPMENT HAS ARRIVED. SPECIFICALLY WHAT IS PAA TEHRAN DOING ABOUT LOCATING EIGHTH PIECE?

4. FOR ABIDJAN: REALIZE FOREGOING DOES NOT GIVE YOU MUCH TO WORK WITH BUT PAA/ABIDJAN SHOULD NOW BE INFORMED ABOUT WANDERING SEVEN PIECES AND WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING WHAT PAA/ABIDJAN IS DOING ABOUT THEM. RUSH

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